MINUTES

OF

MEETING OF STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION RICHMOND, VIRGINIA July 18, 1970

The monthly meeting of the State Highway Commission was held at the Central Highway Office in Richmond, Virginia on July 16, 1970 at 10 a.m. Mr. Douglas B. Fugate; Chairman, presided.

Present: Mesers. Fugate, Baughan, Duckworth, Eakin, Fitzpatrick, Glass, Halrston, Januey, and Weaver.

The chairman welcomed the two new members, Mr. Le Roy Eakin, representing the Culpeper District, and Mr. Douglas G. Janney, of the Fredericksburg District.

On motion of Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, Minutes of the meeting of June 25, 1970 were approved.

Motion was made by Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, that permits issued from June 25, 1970 to July 15, 1970, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, be approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, cancellation of permits from June 25, 1970 to July 15, 1970, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department was approved.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Jr., Executive Vice President, Highway Users Association, asked that the Commission allow an additional thirty days in effective date of new rules and regulations governing hauling permits, as adopted by the Commission at its meeting on April 23, 1970. On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, seconded by Mr. Hairston, the Commission voted to postpone effective date on these regulations to September 1, 1970. The chairman reconstituted the Commission committee for study of these regulations, as follows: Mr. Fitzpatrick, Chairman, Mr. Eakin and Mr. Baughan, asking that they report to the Commission at its August meeting.

Moved by Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids received June 24, 1970, on the following projects.

Route 3, Project 0003-079-103, C501

2.568 Mi. S. Totuskey Creek - 1.260 Mi. S. Totuskey Creek, Richmond County, Award of contract to low bidder, Clyde R. Royals, Inc., Hampton, Va.

Bid	\$295,064.60	
10% for engineering and additional work	29, 506, 46	
Work by State Forces	2,234.50	
Right of Way	27,200.00	
Utilitles	15,700.00	
Amount chargeable to project	369, 706, 00	
\$144,706.00 to be provided for in 1971-72 Primary Construction Allocation.		

Route 7, Project 6007-021-107, C501, B604, B605; 6007-053-109, C501

1.183 Mt. E. ECL Berryville - I.259 Mt. E. Clarke-Loudoun CL, Clarke and Loudoun Countles. Award of contract to low bidder, M. J. Grove Lime Co., A Div. of the Flintkote Co., Lime Kiln, Md.

·	Construction	Right of Way
Bíd	\$4,489,427.82	\$5,000.G0
10% for engineering and additional work	448,942.78	500.00
Work by State Forces	14,850.00	
Right of Way	450,000.00	
Utilities	68,800,00	
Amount chargeable to project	5,477,521,00(\$9	78, 301-Culpeper Dis.)
	(\$4	, 499, 220-Staunton Dis.)

\$378,301,00 to be provided for in 1971-72 Primary Construction Allocation.

Route 64, Project 0064-122-103, L801;102, L801;0064-134-101 L801;0064-131-101, L801

0.089 M1. N. Va. Beach Blvd. - 0.390 M1. E. Int. 464, Cities of Norfolk, Virginia Beach & Chesapeake. Award of contract to low bidder, Greenbrier Farms. Inc.. Chesapeake, Va.

Bid	\$79,557.56
10% for engineering and additional work	7, 955. 75
Work by State Forces	448.00
Amount chargeable to project	87,961,00

Route 64, Project 0064-122-104, C50I Contr. T-1

South Island Fill & Sand Drains - Hampton Roads, Second Bridge - Tunnel Crossing, City of Norfolk, Award of contract to low bidder, Tidewater Construction Corp., Norfolk, Va., and Norfolk Dredging Co., Norfolk, Va.

Bid	\$4,947,790,00
10% for engineering and additional work	494,779.00
Work by State Forces	326.00
Amount chargeable to project	6,442,895.00

Route 154, Project 0154-107-101, C501, B601, F8701

Chestnut St.-0.072 Mi. S. Liberty St., City of Covington. Award of contract to low bidder, E. F. Blankenship Co., Salem, Va.

	Construction	Right of Way
Bid	\$ 926,010.20	\$8,00
10% for engineering and additional work	92,601,02	.80
Work by State Forces	2,161.50	
Flashing lights	14,300.00	
Amount chargeable to project	1,035,082.00	
Acot. Rec. City of Covington \$155, 282, 23		
\$279,820.00 to be provided for in future Urban Construction Allocations.		

Route 207, Project 0207-016-102, C501, B601

0.340 Mi. N. Int. Rt. 95 (NBL) - 4.743 Mi. N. Int. Rt. 95 (NBL), Caroline County. Award of contract to low bidder, Bishop & Settle Construction Co., Inc., and B & S Equipment Corp., Alberta, Va.

Bid	\$1,060,794.51
10% for engineering and additional work	106,079.45
Work by State Forces	3,349.00
Right of Way	150,000,00
Utilities	12,800.00
Amount chargeable to project	1,332,522.00

Route 208, Project 0208-088-108, C501

8.770 Mi. E. of E. End Br. over North Anna River - 0.059 Mi. S. of S. End Br. over Ta River (S. of Post Oak), Spotsylvania County. Award of contract to low bidder, Bishop & Settle Construction Co., Inc., and B & S Equipment Corp., Alberta, Va.

Bid	\$396, 605, 44
10% for engineering and additional work	39,660.54
Work by State Forces	2,449 .00
Right of Way	75,000.00
Utilities	13,300.00
Amount chargeable to project	527,015,00
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\$238,806.00 to be provided for in 1971-72 & 1972-73 Primary Construction Allocations.

Routes 236 & 710, Project 0236-029-106, C501; 0710-029-181, C501

From: 0.077 Mt. E. Int. 710 To: 0.027 Mi. W. Int. 710 & From: Int. 236 To: 0.428 Mi. S. Int. 236, Fairfax County. Award of contract to low bidder, J. O. & C. M. Stuart, Inc., Bethesda, Md.

Bid	\$349,6 8 6.70
10% for engineering and additional work	34,988.67
Work by State Forces	935.00
Amount chargeable to project	385, 810, 00(\$41, 589-Primary)
	(3344, 221-Secondary)

\$41,589.00 to be provided from 1971-72 Primary Construction Allocation. \$193,000.00 to be provided for in County's 1970-71 & Subsequent Years Budgets.

Routes 627 & 652, Project 0627-046-148, C501; 0662-046-151, C501

From: Int. 680 To: 0.300 Mi. S. Rt. 626 & From: Int. 600 To: Int. 644, Isle of Wight County. Award of contract to low bidder, Thomas H. Wiggins, Whaleyville, Va.

Bid	\$107,973.00	
10% for engineering and additional work	10,797.30	
Amount chargeable to project	118,770,00	
\$118,770,00 to be provided for in County's	: 1970-71 & Subsequent Year	ra Budgets.

Route 657, Project 0657-034-128, C501, B604; 134, C501

0.093 Mi. W. Int. 1204 - 1.902 Mi. E. Int. 656, Frederick County. Award of contract to low bidder, Echols Brothers, Inc., Staunton, Va.

Bid \$490, 171, 13 10% for engineering and additional work 49, 017, 11 Amount chargeable to project 539, 188, 00 \$319,000,00 to be provided for in County's 1970-71 & Subsequent Years Budgets.

Route 658, Project 0658-001-149, C501

Int. 657 - Int. 661, Accomack County. Award of contract to low bidder, Lance J. Eller, Inc., Tasley, Va.

Bid \$267,609,37

10% for engineering and additional work 26,760.93

Work by State Forces 194.00

Amount chargeable to project 294,564.00

\$248,000.00 to be provided for in County's 1970-71 & Subsequent Years Budgets.

Route 664, Project 0864-061-150, C501

Int. 32 - Int. 642, Nansemond County. Award of contract to low bidder, Thomas H. Wiggins, Whaleyville, Va.

Bid \$47, 161, 00
10% for engineering and additional work 4, 716, 10
Amount chargeable to project 51, 877, 00
\$51, 877, 00 to be provided for in County's 1970-71 & Subsequent Years
Budgets,

Routes 712, 828, 656, 635 & 301, Project 0712-002-144, B627; 0628-054-129, B611; _0656-054-128, B610; 0635-054-127, B609; 0801-016-108, B611

Drainage Strs. Branch of Hardware Rv., Gold Mine Creek, Little Rv., Branch of Taylors Creek & Br. over Reedy Creek, Albemarle, Louisa & Caroline Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Central Contracting Company, Inc., Farmville, Va.

 Bid
 \$158,048.70

 10% for engineering and additional work
 15,804.87

 Work by State Forces
 862.00

Amount chargeable to project 174, 716. 00(\$149, 978 - 0712-002-144, B627)

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(\$24,738 - 0628-054-129, B611)

\$24,738.00 to be provided from Extra-Ordinary Storm Damage Funds - Louisa Co. \$149,978.00 to be provided from Federal Emergency Relief Funds.

Route 60, Project BR-3-70

Repairs - 1 Bridge Only, Route 60 over Chickshominy River, 0.08 Mi. E. of Henrico Co. Line, New Kent County. Award of contract to low bidder, Preumatic Concrete, Inc., Birmingham, Ala.

Bid \$46,220.00 10% for engineering and additional work 4,622,00 Amount chargeable to project 50,842.00

To be financed from Richmond District's Primary System Maintenance Budget Funds.

Route 60, Project BR-4-70

Repairs - 2 Bridges Only, Bridges over Diasound Creek, Rt. 60, New Kent & James City Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Pneumatic Concrete, Inc., Birmingham, Ala.

 Bid
 \$16,620.00

 10% for engineering and additional work
 1,662.00

 Amount chargeable to project
 18,282.00

To be financed from Richmond District's Primary System Maintenance Budget Funds.

Route 1, Project BR-5-70

Repairs - 1 Bridge Only, NBL Rt. 1 over Brook Run, 0.7 Mi. N. of Int. 95, Henrico County. Award of contract to low bidder, Central Contracting Co., Inc., Farmville, Va.

Bid \$76,937.00 10% for engineering and additional work 7,693.70 Amount chargeable to project \$4,631.00

To be financed from Richmond District's Primary System Maintenance Budget Funds.

Route 602, Project Bridge Demolition-1-70

1 Bridge Demolition Only, Bridge over South Fork Shenandosh River, Rockingham & Page Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Wilkins Construction Co., Inc., Amherst, Va.

Bid \$34,800.00 10% for engineering and additional work 3,480.00 Amount chargeable to project 38,280.00

To be financed from Stausion District's Secondary System Maintenance Budget Funds.

Richmond District, Project P-6-70

Cleaning & Painting Bridge Structural Steel, Richmond District. Award of contract to low bidder, The Hudson Maintenance Corp., Long Island City, N. Y.

Bid \$43,400.00 10% for engineering and additional work 4,340.00 Amount chargeable to project 47,740.00

To be financed from Richmond District's Primary System Maintenance Bulget Funds.

Staunton District, Project BR-2-70

Patching & Epoxy Surfacing of 5 Bridge Decks, Staunton District. Award of contract to low bidder, Pneumatic Concrete, Inc., Birmingham, Ala.

Bid \$122,955.00

10% for engineering and additional work 12,295.00

Amount chargeable to project 185,251,00

To be financed from Staunton District's Primary System Maintenance Budget Funds.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action rejecting bids received on June 24, 1970, on the following projects and authorizing readvertisement of these projects.

Route 64, Project 9064-131-103, S901

Ice & Fog Warning System, Bridge over Southern Branch Elizabeth River, City of Chesapeake. Low bid - 44.7% over estimate.

Route 495, Project 0495-028-102, C504

George Washington Memorial Parkway Interchange - Cabin John Bridge, Fairfax County. Low bid - 24,2% over estimate.

Moved by Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. Duckworth, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids received May 20, 1970, on the following project.

Route 95, Project 0095-076-104, L801

Neabsoc Creek Interceptor, Prince William County. Award of contract by Prince William County to S. O. Jennings Construction Corp., Fairfax, Va.

Bid \$ 96,720.00 10% for engineering and additional work 9,672.00 Amount chargeable to project 106,392.00 Acets. Rec. Prince William County \$5,412.00

seconded by Judge Weaver,

Moved by Mr. Duckworth,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code and PPM 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers in Poquoson, Virginia, on May 7, 1970, concerning the construction of Project 0171-099-101, PE101, C502, RW202, from 0.382 mile west of W. C. L. Town of Poquoson to W. C. L. Town of Poquoson in York County and Project 0171-147-102, PE101, C501, RW201, from W. C. L. Town of Poquoson to intersection of Route 172 (Wythe Creek Road) in the Town of Poquoson; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed improvement have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said combined location and design public hearing by the Department engineers.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver,

seconded by Mr. Duckworth,

that

WHEREAS, Route 460 in Dinwiddle County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 1926-02; and

WHEREAS, six sections of the old road are no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old road;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 1.86 mile of the old location of Route 460, shown in blue and designated as Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 on the plat dated August 10, 1953, Project 1926-02, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System.

Moved by Mr. Glass,

seconded by Judge Weaver,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 25 - Highways, United States Code, and Policy and Procedure Memorandum 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held on April 28, 1970, at 2 p.m., in the Prince Edward County Court House, Farmville, Virginia, for the purpose of considering the proposed location and design of Route 460 from 0.980 mile east of the intersection of Route 307 to the Prince Edward-Nottoway County Line, in Prince Edward County, State Project 6460-073-109-PE101, C501, Federal Project F-04-1 (), and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said location and design public hearing by the Department engineers. This proposed improvement generally consists of the addition of parallel lanes to expand the existing two-lane facility to four lanes.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver,

seconded by Mr. Duckworth,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with recommendations by our Study Committee on route designations, it is recommended that the proposed new construction from an intersection with Route 33 at Angelview Church extending southwest to connect with Interstate Route 64 be added to the Primary System of Highways and its designation as an extension of State Route 33; also, that Route 33 be further extended westerly to overlap on Interstate Route 64 to the point of intersection with present Route 33 at the interchange near Bottoms Bridge; and

WHEREAS, our Route Study Committee further recommends that present State Route 33 between Angelview Church and Bottoms Bridge be renumbered to carry a new primary route number. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under authority of Section 33-26 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, that in accordance with the aforementioned recommendations, the proposed new construction extending from Route 33 at Angelview Church southwesterly to connect with the interchange of Interstate Route 64, a distance 2.48 miles, be added to the Primary System of Highways and designated as State Route 33; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the designation of State Route 38 be extended from the new connection westerly to overlap Interstate 64 to a point of intersection with present Route 33 near Bottoms Bridge; and

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED, that present State Route 33 from a point of intersection with the new connection at Angelview Church westerly via New Kent and Talleysville to the interchange of Interstate Route 64 just north of Bottoms Bridge, be renumbered to carry new Route Number 249.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Baughan.

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

that

WHEREAS, Section 83-136.3 of the Code of Virginia sets forth that the General Assembly of Virginia has found and declared that it is "... in the public interest that access roads to public recreational areas and historical sites be provided by using highway funds..."; provides \$1,500,000 from highway funds for such purpose; and further provides that "The State Highway Commission and the Commission of Outdoor Recreation are hereby authorized to make regulations to carry out the provisions of this section. "; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and the State Highway Commission have adopted a joint policy to govern the use of recreational access funds pursuant to Section 33-136.3 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Rookingham County and the City Council of the City of Harrisonburg have by resolutions requested the use of recreational access funds to provide access to the Hillandale City Park, located in Harrisonburg and the County of Rockingham, estimated to cost \$55,000; and

WHEREAS, this request has been considered by the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and has been found to comply fully with the provisions of Section 33-136.3; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation has recommended the construction of the aforementioned access.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$55,000 from the recreational access fund for 1969-70 be allocated to provide access to the Hillandale City Park in the City of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, Project 9999-115-101, C501, contingent upon the City of Harrisonburg maintaining this road as it would other roads within the street system of the City of Harrisonburg.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Glass,

seconded by Mr. Duckworth.

that

WHEREAS, Section 33-136.3 of the Code of Virginia sets forth that the General Assembly of Virginia has found and declared that it is "... in the public interest that access roads to public recreational areas and historical sites be provided by using highway funds..." provides \$1,500,000 from highway funds for such purpose; and further provides that "The State Highway Commission and the Commission of Outdoor Recreation are hereby authorized to make regulations to carry out the provisions of this section."; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and the State Highway Commission have adopted a joint policy to govern the use of recreational access funds pursuant to Section 33-136.3 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Cumberland County has by resolution requested the use of recreational access funds to improve Routes 622 and 629 from Route 60 to the Bear Creek Lake Recreational Area in Cumberland County, estimated to cost \$260,000; and

WHEREAS, this request has been considered by the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and has been found to comply fully with the provisions of Section 33-136.3; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation has recommended the construction of the aforementioned access.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$200,000 from the recreational access fund for 1969-70 be allocated to assist in the improvement of Routes 622 and 629 from Route 50 to the Bear Creek Lake Recreational Area in Cumberland County, Project 0622-024-115, C501, contingent upon the additional funds necessary to complete this work being allocated from regular Secondary funds alloted for use within Cumberland County, not less than one-half in fiscal 1971-72 and the balance, if any, in 1972-73.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Baughan,

seconded by Mr. Duckworth.

that.

WHEREAS, Section 39-136.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1970-71 of \$1,500,000 to "...be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Augusta County has by resolution requested the use of industrial access funds to provide access to the new facility to be constructed by Thurston Motor Lines, Incorporated, south of I-64 and west of Route 608 in Augusta County, estimated to cost \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-136. I and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$10,000 from the industrial access fund for 1970-71 be allocated for the purpose of constructing an access road to the new facility of the Thurston Motor Lines, Incorporated, just south of 1-64 and west of Route 608 in Augusta County, Project 0935-007-169, C501, contingent upon the necessary right of way and adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth, and the industry's entering into a firm contract for the construction of its facility.

Moved by Mr. Eakin,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

that

WHEREAS, a location and design public hearing was held in the Woodburn Elementary School, near Annandale, Virginia on Tuesday, May 26, 1970 at 8 p.m. for the purpose of providing information to interested citizens on the location and design of Route 650 (Gailows Road) from I. 021 mile N. W. of the intersection with Route 649 (Hummer Road) to the intersection with Route 649 (Hummer Road), a length of 1.021 miles, State Project 0650-029-165, C501, Fairfax County, and

WHEREAS, notice was given in advance and all those present were given full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as planned, their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the social, economic, and environmental effects of the location and design of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and design of this project be approved in accordance with the plane as presented at said location and design public hearing by the Department engineers.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

seconded by Mr. Glass.

that

WHEREAS, by proper resolutions, the Boards of Supervisors of several counties have requested that certain roads which no longer serve as a public necessity be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76. 7 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the following roads be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Highways, effective this date:

Campbell County - Sec. 1 of old location Rt. 648 from Sta. 34+80 E, 0,21 mi., Proj. 0648-015-132, C501, B613 ------0,21 Mile Franklin County - Rt. 943, from Rt. 220 southerly

0.07 mile -----0,07 Mile

Fluvanna County - Sec. 1 of old location Rt. 631 from

Sta. 57+50 to Rt. 260, Proj. 0631-

032-117, C501 ----- 0. 16 Mile

Henry County - Sec. 2 shown in yellow on sketch

System Due to Relocation and Construction on Rt. 646.

Proj. 0646-044-140, C501, B609 ---- 0.28 Mile

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Hairston,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick.

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways United States Code and PPM 20-8, a design public hearing was held in the Town Hall, Marion, Virginia, on May 12, 1970, concerning the construction of Project 0016-111-101, PE101, RW201, C501, B601 from the intersection of Main Street to 0.725 mile south intersection of Main Street in the Town of Marion; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed improvement have been examined and given proper consideration and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said design public hearing by the Department engineers.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

seconded by Mr. Hairston,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways United States Code and PPM 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held in the Eureka Park Recreation Center, Rounoke, Virginia, on May 6, 1970, concerning the construction of Project U000-128-101, PEi01, RW201, C501, B602, from the intersection of Patterson Avenue to 0.012 mile north of the intersection of Moorman Road in the City of Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed improvement have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said combined location and design public hearing by the Department engineers.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Eakin,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick.

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and Policy and Procedure Memorandum 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held on May 5, 1970, at 8 p.m., in the Lincolnia Elementary School, in Fairfax County, Virginia, for the purpose of considering the proposed location and design of Route 236 from 0.263 mile west of the intersection of Route 95 to 0.785 mile west of the intersection of Route 95, in Fairfax County, State Project 0238-029-105-PEI01-C50I, and

WREREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said location and design public hearing by the Department engineers. This proposed improvement generally consists of upgrading the existing four-lane facility.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Glass.

seconded by Judge Weaver.

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and Policy and Procedure Memorandum 20-8, a location and design public hearing was held in the Rockfish Valley Elementary School, Greenfield, Virginia, on January 13, 1970, at 3:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the location and design of Route 635 from 0,20 mile east of its intersection with Route 633 to its east intersection of Route 633 (Bridge and Approaches to the North Fork of Rockfish River) in Nelson County. The State Project is 0635-062-132, C501, B620.

WHEREAS, the proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned, and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed location have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and design of Line "A" be approved as proposed and presented at the combined location and design hearing.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

seconded by Mr. Duckworth,

thet

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33-35.4 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Martinaville for maintenance payments at the rate of \$1,100 per mile annually on additional streets meeting required standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the quarterly payments at the rate of \$1,100 per mile annually be made to the City of Martinsville on additional streets totaling 0.84 mile and meeting standards required by the aforementioned section of the Code effective beginning July 1, 1970 for the quarterly payment due after September 30, 1970. The additional streets and mileage eligible for payment are described as follows:

Banks Rd. Ext. - Myrtle Rd. to 0, 22 mi. N. ----0, 22 Mile
Cardinal Lane - Pony Pl. to 0.14 mi. S.
Crestwood Ct. -----0.28 Mile
Crestwood Court - Cardinal Lane to 0.14 mi. W. --- 0, 14 Mile
Pony Place - Roundabout Rd. to 0.14 mi.

The above additions, totaling 0.84 mile, will increase the total mileage in the City of Martinsville from 76.83 miles to 77.67 miles of approved streets.

MOTION CARRIED...

Moved by Mr. Duckworth,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

thet

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code and PPM 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held in the Sparrow Road Elementary School, Chesapeake, Virginia, on December 8, 1969, concerning the construction of Project U000-131-101, PE101, RW201, C501, from the intersection of Wingfield Avenue to the ECL of Chesapeake in the City of Chesapeake; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed improvement have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said combined location and design public hearing by the Department engineers.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Hairston,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code and PPM 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held in the Council Room of the Town Hall, Bluefield, Virginia, on May 27, 1970, concerning the construction of Project 0019-148-101, PE101, RW201, C501, B601 from the Bluestone River Bridge to 0.038 miles east of Schenley Avenue in the Town of Bluefield; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed improvement have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said combined location and design public hearing by the Department engineers.

Moved by Mr. Glass.

seconded by Judge Weaver,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and Policy and Procedure Memorandum 20-8, a combined location and design public hearing was held on June 19, 1970, at 2 p.m., in the Fire Department Building at Meherrin, Virginia, for the purpose of considering the proposed location and design of Route 360 from 0. 221 mile west of the Norfolk and Western Railway Overpass (west of Meherrin) to 6.024 miles west of the Prince Edward-Nottoway County Line, in Prince Edward County, State Projects 0860-073-102, C501 and 0360-073-101, C502, Federal Project F-036-I (), and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed projects as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed projects have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of these projects be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at said location and design public hearing by the Department engineers. This proposed improvement generally consists of the addition of parallel lanes to expand the existing two-lane facility to four lanes.

MOTION CARRIED.

The chairman presented a retirement certificate to Mr. Charles L. Meoni, who had expressed his intention of retiring from the Department of Highways on July 31, 1970. This was presented during the Commission meeting, the chairman stated, because of Mr. Meoni's unique association with the members as Programming Coordinator for the Department.

Mr. Fugate also presented to Mr. J. F. Sullivan a copy of the resolution adopted by the Commission on his retirement as Division Engineer of the Bureau of Public Roads. Mr. Duckworth reported for the committee appointed at the June meeting to study a plan for investment of retainage for contractors and moved the adoption of the recommendation of the committee that the Commission approve a plan for assisting the contractors under this subject as soon as it may be worked out with the State Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baughan and carried.

Moved by Mr. Eakin,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and Policy and Procedure Memorandum 20-8, a location public hearing was held in the Hollin Hill Elementary School, 7116 Fort Hunt Road in Fairfax County, on June 17, 1970, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of considering the location of Route 629 (Fort Hunt Road) from the intersection of Route 1510 (Belle View Boulevard) to the intersection of Route 630 (Quander Road) a distance of 0,78 mile. The State Project is 0629-029-189-C501.

WHEREAS, the proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed improvement as planned, and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed location have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location of Line "B" be approved as proposed and presented at the location public hearing. This line follows the same corridor as the existing road with minor changes to improve alignment.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver,

seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

that.

WHEREAS, Section 33-136.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1970-71 of \$1,500,000 to "...be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Mecklenburg County has by resolution requested the use of industrial access funds to provide access to the Homecraft Corporation's new plant to be constructed in the South Hill Industrial Development Corporation's industrial park, just east of Route I-85 and south of Route 58 at South Hill, in Mecklenburg County, estimated to cost \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-136.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$30,000 from the industrial access fund for 1970-71 be allocated to provide proper access to the new facility of the Homecraft Corporation, to be constructed in the South Hill Industrial Development Corporation's industrial park, just east of Route I-85 and south of Route 58 at South Hill, in Mecklenburg County, Project 0777-058-146, C501, contingent upon the necessary right of way and adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth, and upon advice that the construction of the plant has been put under firm contract or is being constructed by Homecraft Corporation.

Moved by Judge Weaver,

seconded by Mr. Hairston,

that

WHEREAS, Section 33-126.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1970-71 of \$1,500,000 to "... be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Hanover County has by resolution requested the use of industrial access funds to provide proper access to the Leadbetter industrial Park and the industries located therein, just east of Route I-95 and south of the Route I-95 and Route 802 interchange in Hanover County, estimated to cost \$45,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-136.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$45,000 from the industrial access fund for 1970-71 be allocated for the purpose of providing access to and within the Leadbetter Industrial Park to serve the industries located therein, just east of Route I-95 and south of the Route I-95 and Route 802 interchange in Hanover County, Project 0809-042-187, C501, contingent upon the necessary additional right of way and adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

seconded by Judge Weaver.

that

WHEREAS, Section 33-186.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1970-71 of \$1,500,000 to "... be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Christiansburg and the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County have by resolution requested the use of industrial access funds to provide proper access to the expanding facility of the Christiansburg Garment Company, Incorporated, in the Town of Christiansburg, estimated to cost \$15,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-186.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$12,000 from the industrial access fund for 1970-71 be allocated to provide proper access to the expanding facility of Christiansburg Garment Company, Incorporated, in the Town of Christiansburg in Montgomery County, Project 9989-154-102, C501, contingent upon the necessary right of way and adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth, and upon agreement by the Town of Christiansburg to provide the additional funds, estimated at \$3,000, to complete the financing of this project beyond that financing which is allowed by current Commission policy.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Duckworth,

seconded by Judge Weaver,

that

WHEREAS, the need for expediting the flow of traffic through the toll plaza of the Hampton Roads Tunnel in June, 1969, resulted in reduction of the extra passenger rates to a flat charge of 20¢, regardless of the number of passengers in a vehicle, this being the recommendation of the Traffic Engineers under Plan 4 of their special study report dated June 10, 1969, and

WHEREAS, this action served to some extent to speed the movement of traffic through the tunnel during the summer of 1969; the volume now accumulating on weekends during June, 1970, is surpassing all estimates for this date, making further action necessary to relieve waiting lines, sometimes as much as 3 miles in length and requiring 45 minutes clearance time, and

WHEREAS, the traffic engineers have again reviewed this problem, reporting by their letter of July 10, 1970, that in view of the increased traffic trend in the past year it is now their recommendation that Plan 2 of their above report be approved, to speed traffic by eliminating the charge for extra passengers in vehicles and that due to the increase in traffic, net revenues will be sufficient to amortize outstanding bond indebtedness prior to November, 1974, the present target date for completion of the new tunnel at Hampton Roads, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Highway Commission that this recommendation made by the traffic engineers in their letter of July 10, 1970, to eliminate all charges for extra passengers in vehicles at the Hampton Roads Toll Plaza be adopted as a further means to expedite movement through the tunnel, this reduction in toll charges to become effective at 12 Midnight, July 16, 1970.

Moved by Mr. Duckworth, seconded by Mr. Hairston,

that

WHEREAS, an uninvested balance of approximately \$198,000 is now on deposit in the Reserve Maintenance Fund of the State of Virginia Toll Revenue Bonds (Series 1954) account with the Trustee, this balance having accumulated from monthly deposits from toll revenue as budgeted and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that \$100,000 of this amount will not be needed for major repairs on the toll revenue bond facilities within the next 12 months over and above other funds that will be available during this period, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Highway Commission that. under provisions of Section 602 of the Trust Indenture, \$100,000 of the current uninvested balance in the Reserve Maintenance Fund of this account be invested in U. S. Treasury securities to mature in approximately 12 months from this date, in accordance with approval of the Consulting Engineers.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick,

seconded by Mr. Baughan,

WITNESSETH THAT WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of April, 1968, Albert Brothers Contractors, Incorporated entered into a contract with the State Highway Commission for the construction in connection with Project 0081-060-102, G305, G307, B629, B630, B621 in Montgomery County at a cost of \$3,868,300.15; and

WHEREAS, a slide of approximately 400,000 cubic yards of earthwork developed on the project in the latter stages of the job after the particular cut had been completed necessitating unusual excavating methods at this stage and a long uphill haul to dispose of the material; and

WHEREAS, a unit price could not be mutually agreed upon to perform the work; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that it will cost \$850,000.00 to move the slide and the cost of removal of this slide will exceed the scope of the contract by more than twenty percent (20%); and

WHEREAS, Section 104.02 of the Virginia Department of Highways Road and Bridge Specifications requires a supplemental agreement be executed with the contractor when the original contract is increased more than twenty percent (20%); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to enter into on behalf of this Commission an agreement with the contractor to have this work performed on a Force Account Basis in conformance with Section 109.06 of the Virginia Department of Highways Road and Bridge Specifications.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Baughan,

seconded by Mr. Hairston,

WITNESSETH THAT WHEREAS, on or about the 5th day of December 1969, Alleghany Stone and Construction Corp. entered into a contract with the State Highway Commission for the construction in commention with Project 0064-003-702, M400 on Interstate Route 64 in Alleghany County at a cost of \$59,889.40; and

WHEREAS, on this project it was necessary to increase the amount of excavation and Class A3 concrete to complete the work necessary under this contract and which amounted to an overrum in the total contract of approximately sixty percent (60%); and

WHEREAS, a work order has or will be issued which will increase the scope of the contract beyond twenty percent (20%) of the original contract; and

WHEREAS, Section 104, 02 of the Virginia Department of Highways Road and Bridge Specifications requires a supplemental agreement when the original contract is increased by more than twenty percent (20%); and

WHE REAS, the abovementioned contractor has indicated that he is willing to make the necessary changes at the contract unit prices set forth in the original contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to enter into on behalf of this Commission a supplemental agreement with Alleghany Stone and Construction Corp. on the abovementioned project for the necessary additional excavation and Class A3 concrete at the unit prices set forth in the original contract at an approximate cost of \$35,500.00.

, seconded by Mr. Duckworth

Moved by Mr. Baughan

that

WHEREAS, in connection with the construction of Route 957, State Highway Project 0957-044-108, C-1, Scuffle Hill Corporation donated certain lands to the Commonwealth by deed of correction dated January 30, 1961, as recorded in Deed Book 166, Page 62, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Henry County; and

WHERRAS, a portion of Route 957 has been replaced by construction of Route 966, State Righway Project 0966-044-163, C-501, from a point opposite approximate survey Station 23+58 (centerline Route 957) to a point opposite approximate survey Station 55+08 (centerline Route 966) and serves the same citizens as the old location and the new location has been approved by the State Bighway Commission; and

WHEREAS, at the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Henry County, held on February 23, 1970, a resolution was passed abandoning as a public road the replaced section of Route 957; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the adjoining land of record has requested that the section of old right of way of Route 957 be conveyed to him in order that he may more fully develop his land; and

WHEREAS, the State Righway Commissioner has certified in writing that the right of way of Route 957 lying between the east revised proposed right of way line (4-14-70) of Route 966 and the original proposed and existing right of way line (1-5-68) of Route 957 from a point approximately 30 feet opposite survey Station 23+58 (centerline Route 957) to a point approximately 30 feet opposite approximate survey Station 13+28 (centerline Route 957) does not constitute a section of the public roud and is deemed by him no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conveyance of the said section of Route 957, so certified, to the owner of record of the adjoining land, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.11 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as smended, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute in the name of the Commonwealth a quitclaim dead in exchange for the deed to the land required for Route 966.

Motion carried.

Hoved by Mr. Baughan

, seconded by Mr. Duckworth

that

WHEREAS, in connection with the construction of Route 1009, State Highway Project 1009-017-147, C-501, certain lands were donated to the Conmountailth of Virginia from Edgar N. Cochran, et al, by deed dated March 28, 1967, as recorded in Deed Book 149, Page 1, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cerroll County; and

WHEREAS, Route 1009 has been abandoned by action of the Board of Supervisors of Carroll County at their regular masting held on the 18th day of December, 1969; and

WHEREAS, the adjoining landowner of record of the land abutting Route 1009 has requested that the unneeded right of way be conveyed to him in order to more fully develop him land; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the right of way of Route 1009, lying on both sides of and adjacent to the centerline of Route 1009 from the northwest right of way line of Route 221 at survey Station 10+33 (centerline Route 1009) to the end of Route 1009 at survey Station 13+47 (centerline Route 1009), does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed by him no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

MOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.11 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the conveyance of the right of way of Route 1009, so certified, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby suthorized to execute a deed conveying same, without warranty, to the owner of the adjoining land of record at a price satisfactory to the State Right of Way Engineer.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Raughan

, seconded by Mr. Duckworth

that

WHEREAS, in connection with Route 211, State Highway Project 0211-069-102, RW-201, the Commonwealth acquired from Lewis H. Atkins and Mary B. Atkins, husband and wife, co-tenants, certain lands by Certificate Ho. C-10100, as recorded in Dead Book 204, Page 183, in the Office of the Clark of the Circuit Court of Page County, which case has now been settled by Agreement after Certificate; and

WHEREAS, in order to more fully develop their remaining lands, the adjoining landowners have requested that any unneeded right of way previously acquired be conveyed to them; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the percel of land lying southwest of and adjacent to the new revised southwest right of way line from a point 48 feet opposite survey Station 217+16.44 (centerline proposed E.B.L.) to a point 48 feet opposite survey Station 221+62 (centerline proposed E.B.L.) does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed by him no longer measurery for uses of the State Highway System.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conveyance of the said parcel of land, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as emended, is approved and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorised to execute in the name of the Commonwealth a deed conveying same without warranty to the owner or owners of the ajoining land at a price satisfactory with the State Right of Way Engineer, and subject to any restrictions he may deem requisite.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Baughan , seconded by Mr. Duckworth that

WHEREAS, in connection with the construction of Route 501, formerly Route 18, State Highway Project 141-B, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands from Jesse T. Adams and Loula E. Adams by deed dated March 21, 1923, as recorded in Deed Book 133, Page 109, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Halifax County; and

WHEREAS, under State Highway Project 0501-041-102, RW-201, Route 501 was relocated from a point apposite approximate survey Station 973+15 to a point opposite approximate survey Station 985+15 which serves the same citizens as the old location, and the new location has been approved by the State Highway Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, in the Agreement after Certificate for right of way required for Route 501, State Righway Project 0501-041-102, RW-201, dated February 17, 1961, it was stated that we would recommend to the State Highway Commission that the old Section of Route 501 lying between approximate survey Station 973+15 and approximate survey Station 985+15 be conveyed by quitclaim deed to the adjoining landowner; and

WHEREAS, by action of the State Highway Commission on the 22nd day of May, 1963, the old section of Route 501 was abandoned; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the section of old Route 501 lying northwest of the northwest proposed right of way line of Route 501 from a point 55 feet opposite approximate survey Station 973+15 (centerline Route 501) to a point 55 feet opposite approximate aurvey Station 985+15 (centerline Route 501) does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed by him no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

MOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as smended, the conveyance of the said section of old Route 501, so certified, to the owner of the adjoining land of record is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorised to execute a deed of quitclain for same, accordingly, in exchange for the land acquired from the adjoining landowner.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Baughan , seconded by Mr. Duckworth that

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is the apparent owner of the right of way of the old location of Route 12; and

WHEREAS, Route 12 (now Route 340) has been reconstructed under State Righway Project 3269-01-02 at a new location, which serves the same citizens as the old location, and the new location has been approved by the State Righway Commissioner: and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors of Page County, at their meeting on December 11, 1950, discontinued the old section of Route 12, which was approved by the State Highway Counission at their meeting of February 20, 1951; and

WHERRAS, the owner of the adjoining land, in exchange for the right of way of the old location of Route 12, will convey to the Commonwealth an additional portion of land to widen the present Route 340; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the old location of Route 12, from a point on the west right of way line of Route 636 and extending in a westerly direction to the eastern end of the old bridge over the south fork of the Shenandoah River, does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed by him no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

MW, THERRFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the said section of old Route 12, from the west right of way line of Route 636 and extending in a westerly direction to the eastern end of the old bridge over the south fork of the Shenandosh River, is hereby declared abandoned, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-76.6, being of the same code, the conveyance of the said land and right of way, so abandoned and so certified, to the owner or owners of record of the adjoining land, in exchange for additional right of way for Route 340, is approved, and the State Righway Commissioner is authorised to execute in the name of the Commonwealth a quitelaim deed, conveying same, subject to such restrictions as he may deem requisite.

Motion carried.

Following presentation of the Location and Design Engineer on Project 0626-063-151, C501, B612 (Bridge and Approaches over Goose Creek), in Loudoun County, which was scheduled for action by the Commission, the Chairman stated that the Commission has a policy which makes the public hearing the last time expressions will be received about the project unless the Commission as a whole approves another hearing. However, he said with the permission of the Commission members he would like to depart from this policy because of exceptional circumstances. He said the member of the Commission for the Culpeper District had recently been changed and the present member was not familiar with the project and had not attended the public hearing.

Mr. Newell Ward, Mr. G. A. Horkan, Jr. and Mr. Donald McKenzie, property owners affected by this proposed relocation appeared before the Commission to ask that the bridge be reconstructed on present location, in order to preserve the present character of this attractive area.

Mr. Fugate stated there was frequently a basic conflict between the desires of traffic that uses a highway and the best interests of the adjoining landowners, and that the Highway Commission is entirely sympathetic with the desire to preserve the natural beauty of Virginia and also to accomodate the best interest of traffic.

On motion of Mr. Eakin, seconded by Judge Weaver, the Commission voted that action on this location be deferred until the August meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Approved:

Chairman

Attested: